

VILLAGE OF BREWSTER
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
3 December 2014
PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR MEETING
Minutes

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Brewster held a Public Hearing 3 December 2014 at 7:30 PM followed by a Regular Meeting at Village Hall, 50 Main Street, Brewster, NY 10509.

Attendees:

Mayor: James Schoenig

Deputy Mayor and Trustee: Christine Piccini

Trustees; Mary Bryde, Tom Boissonnault, Terri Stockburger

Village Engineer:

Village Counsel: Anthony Molé

Clerk & Treasurer: Peter Hansen

Absent:

John Folchetti

Pledge to flag.

Notation of Exits

Public Hearing – Proposed Local Law regulating bicycles

Mayor Schoenig motions to open the public hearing, Trustee Stockburger 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.

Rick Stockburger says he supports the bike law.

Erin Meagher provides letters of support for the law attached to these minutes. Ms Meagher then recited two incidents which were near collisions with pedestrians and bikes that she personally experienced. Ms. Meagher urges the board to enact this law to protect the pedestrians on sidewalks in Brewster.

Mayor Schoenig motions to continue the public hearing on December 17, 2014 at Village Hall 50 Main St. Brewster, NY 10509 at 7:30PM, Trustee Bryde 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.

Regular Meeting

Mayor Schoenig motions to open the regular meeting, Deputy Mayor Piccini all in favor 5 to 0.

1. Mayor Schoenig motions to set Public Hearing regarding zoning amendments to chapter 263 for annexed property at 7:31PM or as soon thereafter as time permits, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.
2. Budget report Year to Date FY 2015 – Treasurer Hansen states that we are operating according to plan. There are some budget adjustments that will need to be made because of the way we are accounting for the capital purchase and loan proceeds to cover the cost of the two 2014 Dodge Charger Police Cars. Treasurer Hansen also informed the Board that the Merrieweather BAN renewal came in at 1.5% for the next one year period.
3. Minutes for approval;
 - 3.1. November 19, 2014 Regular Meeting – Trustee Bryde motions to approve the November 19, 2014 minutes, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.
 - 3.2. December 1, 2014 Organizational Meeting – Trustee Bryde motions to approve the December 1, 2014 minutes, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2nd all in favor 4 to 0. Trustee Stockburger was absent.
4. Authorization for Mayor to sign Wells & Tonetta Brook Retrofit Notice of Termination. Deputy Mayor Piccini motions to authorize the Mayor to sign the termination notices, Trustee Stockburger 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.
5. Vouchers Payable – Trustee Bryde reviewed the vouchers and found everything in order.

5.1.	A - GENERAL FUND	\$85,969.62
5.2.	C - REFUSE & GARBAGE	8,348.84
5.3.	F - WATER FUND	44,210.44
5.4.	G - SEWER FUND	82,282.66
5.5.	T - TRUST & AGENCY	800.98
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Total Vouchers Payable		\$221,612.54
- Mayor Schoenig motions to approve the vouchers payable as written, Trustee Stockburger 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.
6. Other Business
 - 6.1. Deputy Mayor Piccini

- 6.1.1. Deputy Mayor Piccini motions to establish and notice Jan 14, 28, Feb 11, 25 for comprehensive plan committee meeting dates as work sessions, Trustee Stockburger 2nd all in favor 5 to 0. Clerk Hansen is directed to publish the legal notice required.
- 6.1.2. Deputy Mayor Piccini says the December 10th meeting will likely be limited to two topics; the review and recommendation to the Board regarding the Marketing report prepared by Goman & York. Secondly the Blight Study revision has been received and distributed. An appendix should be available to us by end of day 12/4/14 with the hope that the recommendation is made to the Board regarding the Blight Study.
- 6.2. Trustee Stockburger received a string of lights to try out to see if more should be purchased. Trustee Stockburger would like to see lighted outlines of buildings on Main Street and involve the building owners. Mayor Schoenig advised that Chief Del Gardo has a list of all the building owners on Main Street.
- 6.3. Trustee Bryde asked about the winter parking permits. Clerk Hansen does not know how many may have been sold.
- 6.4. Trustee Boissonnault says the December 6th Village Holiday event is ready to go. Laurie Manning made new ornaments for the tree, Santa is ready to make his appearance, Keith Green will lead the carolers on key, a Police escort is needed for Santa's arrival, Deputy Mayor Piccini is providing candy canes for Santa to hand out. There will be home-made goodies brought in to Village Hall for the participants by the Board members and all participants will be invited back to Village Hall for Hot Chocolate and treats after the tree lighting.

7. New Business

- 7.1. Deputy Mayor Piccini informs the Board of a suggestion that was made today regarding enlarging Main Street and making it into a Boulevard. Deputy Mayor Piccini thought that this new concept is worth considering seriously.
- 7.2. Trustee Bryde stepped in for the Mayor for the food distribution at CAP with Senator Gillibrand and though the Senator was very late the event went well. Trustee Bryde asked if there was any response to the Combined Insurance flyer for employee purchased insurance similar to AFLAC? Clerk Hansen said there was not a single inquiry or interest expressed by any employee.
- 7.3. Trustee Boissonnault is still planning a brainstorming session for Wells Park. Up to this point he has priced outdoor equipment for movie shows and spoke about licensing of movies. Trustee Boissonnault also looked into portable ice skating rinks.
- 7.4. Trustee Stockburger motions to release the RFP for the snow removal services, Mayor Schoenig 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.

8. Public Comment

- 8.1.1. Rick Stockburger asked if the sidewalks were cleaned promptly this past snow storm. The snowstorm was basically a non-event and sidewalks were clear within 24 hours without any intervention. Mr. Stockburger suggests we include a notice in the water bill regarding the snow removal plan.

9. Deputy Mayor Piccini motions to enter executive Session to discuss contracts, Trustee Boissonnault 2nd all in favor 5 to 0. Mayor Schoenig motions to come out of executive session resume the regular meeting and adjourn, Trustee Bryde 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.

Erin E. Meagher
12 Main Street Apt 3B
Brewster, NY 10509
December 3, 2014

Mayor James Schoenig & Board of Trustees
Village of Brewster
50 Main Street
Brewster, NY 10509

Dear Mayor Schoenig & Board of Trustees:

As a resident and a pedestrian in the Village of Brewster, it has always been a lovely place to live and work, however the bicycles on the sidewalks have been a constant hazard that has not been addressed. I applaud the Village of Brewster Trustees who support this for finally taking action with this matter.

Due to the irregular topography of the Village, bicycles jettison on the sidewalk faster than safe, and cause great hazards on the sidewalk. My senior aged father who is temporarily visually impaired and also works on Main Street, takes his life into his hands when he walks the sidewalks in the Village of Brewster. Many times he has been nearly hit from no fault of his own. I have personally been hit once, and had several near misses. Pedestrian traffic is not safe in Brewster when there are the hazards of bicycles on the sidewalk, I urge the Village Board to pass this law, enforce it with the fines proposed and provide signage in both English and in Spanish in prominent locations in the Village of Brewster stating that riding bicycles on the sidewalk is against the law. The safety of Village merchants, residents and visitors should be the primary concern when considering it. The fine proposed is adequate and should be enforced. Our lives and safety in the Village of Brewster are worth more than \$250. The fine will send a strong, even handed message that the Village of Brewster does not tolerate blatant safety hazards on the sidewalks of Brewster.

Attached to this letter are several news articles pertaining to the hazards of bicycles on the sidewalk and two sets of minutes from previous meetings of the trustees where I have complained of the hazard of bicycles on the sidewalks. I have also included the letters from Main Street merchants and a resident from the last public hearing regarding bicycles on the sidewalks. All of their concerns pertain to the area that is to be restricted from bicycle riding on the sidewalk by this law. Many revitalized communities have these laws on the books preventing bicycles on the sidewalks; one of them is the City of Beacon, a hub of culture in the Hudson Valley region.

Let's be more like Beacon in Brewster. Let's take pedestrian safety seriously by passing this law to keep bicycles off the sidewalks in the specific area. I hope this law passes in a timely manner and enforcement is strong. The people of Main Street have been bombarded by this hazard for years. Delaying the passage of this law by waiting out until there are bike lanes or other instruments to control bicycle traffic is short sighted, and is at the expense of the pedestrians who only wish to walk safely on the sidewalks

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please include this in the minutes of the public hearing.

Sincerely,



Erin E. Meagher
Resident
Village of Brewster, NY

Attachment 1

VILLAGE OF BREWSTER
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
October 3, 2012
REGULAR MEETING

Minutes

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Brewster held a Regular Meeting on October 3, 2012 at 7:30 PM at Village Hall, 50 Main Street, Brewster, NY 10509.

Attendees:

Mayor: James Schoenig
Deputy Mayor and Trustee: Christine Piccini
Trustees: Tom Boissonnault, Mary Bryde, Terri Stockburger
Village Engineer: John Folchetti
Village Counsel: Anthony Molé,
Clerk & Treasurer: Peter Hansen

Absent:

Pledge to flag.

Notation of Exits

Mayor Schoenig motions to open the regular meeting, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.

Regular Meeting

1. Proclamations – in appreciation for service above and beyond;
 - 1.1. Bob Dumont – Mayor Schoenig commends Mr. Dumont for his outstanding work on behalf of the Village of Brewster. Art Beat, the Film Festival, and his general positive attitude has been an example to us all and it has been a pleasure working with him. Mr. Dumont takes the opportunity to briefly discuss next year's (2013) dates for the Film Festival - August 31st with a rain date of 9/7. Mr. Dumont is also working with Landmarks Preservation to investigate building a stage into the Walter Brewster House lawn permanently for more frequent use of the venue during the year.
 - 1.2. Todd Gianguzzi – Mayor Schoenig commends Mr. Gianguzzi on behalf of the village. Mr. Gianguzzi, through his own initiative, raised money, procured equipment, and installed cameras at the Police Station to enhance the security for our Police department at 208 Main Street.
2. Ragamuffin Parade – Janet Ward and Pastor Rick Julian representing Brewster First Baptist Church provided a description of the event. Mayor Schoenig motions to approve the Ragamuffin Parade Permit for Saturday October 27, 2012 with a rain date of 10/28/12 from 10:00AM to 12:00PM starting at Markel Park and ending at the Library Parking Lot, waiving all fees, Trustee Bryde 2nd – Discussion: Deputy Mayor Piccini asks about CCD traffic at that hour. Ms. Ward said they will be providing two crossing guards. Erin Meagher expresses her opposition to having Main Street closed for two hours on a Saturday as that is the busiest time for the businesses on Main Street. Mayor Schoenig explains that the street closing will not be for two hours but rather 15 to 30 minutes. All in favor 4 to 0. 1 Abstention: Trustee Stockburger
3. SEQR Conditional Determinations
 - 3.1. Mayor Schoenig motions to declare a Conditioned Negative Declaration pursuant to the SEQRA as per Resolution No. 100312-1 as written in concurrence with DEC's recommendations, DEP's concurrence with contaminated soil disposal, and add the condition that the Army Corps of Engineers accepts the USFWS/NYSDEC web based information confirming the absence of threatened and endangered species and approvals on Tonetta Brook Retrofit project, Trustee Bryde 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.
 - 3.2. Mayor Schoenig motions to declare a Conditioned Negative Declaration pursuant to the SEQRA as per Resolution No. 100312-2 as written in concurrence with DEC's recommendations, DEP's concurrence with contaminated soil disposal, and add the condition that the Army Corps of Engineers accepts the USFWS/NYSDEC web based information confirming the absence of threatened and endangered species and approvals on Wells Brook Retrofit project, Trustee Boissonnault 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.
4. Tonetta & Wells Retrofit update – John Folchetti advised the board that the design is nearly complete and he hopes to have bid packages ready and the contract awarded before the end of 2012 by the East of Hudson Watershed

Corporation (EOHWC). EOHWC has agreed to take charge of the project once the design is complete. A secondary bonus might be the ability to use the excavation from the retrofits to fill the old WWTP site and thereby save some money. Mr. Folchetti is requesting a change order in the amount of \$55,000 for the multiple redesigns required by various regulatory agencies and unforeseen site conditions, conditional on the approval of EOHWC Resolution No. 100312-3 for the Wells and Tonetta Retrofits. Mayor Schoenig motions to approve the change order conditioned on the approval of EOHWC approval, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.

5. Cell Phone Service –Consider Verizon Wireless – A brief description of current Nextel/Sprint reception problems experienced by the DPW and Police coupled with a cost savings from Verizon Wireless (who is on State contract) was relayed to the Board by Hansen. Mayor Schoenig motions to move cell phone service to Verizon Wireless, Trustee Stockburger 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.
6. Parking on Oak Street for Landmarks Preservation Event – Trustee Stockburger recuses herself and explains the event planned for Walter Brewster House on Sunday October 7, 2012 between 3:00PM and 5:00PM and the need for overflow parking beyond the allotted parking lot. Mayor Schoenig motions to give permission for Parking on Oak St. on the South side, not on the sidewalk, pending approval from Brewster PD and Brewster Fire Dept. Trustee Bryde 2nd all in favor 4 to 0.
7. Walter Brewster Birthday October 3rd – 195 years – Noted.
8. Budget Report – Treasurer Hansen provided an update on the budget noting concerns about future water and sewer revenue because the water production numbers are down 15% in September year over year. Other than that most budget lines are at or near target.
9. September 19, 2012 Minutes for Approval
 - 9.1. Trustee Bryde motions to approve the September 19th minutes with one change of date from October 5th to October 3rd Deputy Mayor Piccini 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.

10. Vouchers Payable – Deputy Mayor Piccini reviewed the vouchers and found everything in order.

10.1. A	General	\$20,760.22
10.2. EN	Professional Fees	437.50
10.3. F	Water	6,025.09
10.4. G	Sewer	22,156.94
10.5. TA	Trust & Agency	1,041.88

Total Vouchers Payable \$50,421.63

Mayor Schoenig motions to approve Vouchers Payable as listed, Trustee Stockburger 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.

11. Other Business

- 11.1. Deputy Mayor Piccini

- 11.1.1. 2nd meeting in November is on Thanksgiving eve. Do we want to move it or cancel it? The Board will make a decision at the October 17th meeting.

- 11.2. Trustee Stockburger

- 11.2.1. Sprayed some rusty trash can rings to make them look better.

- 11.3. Trustee Bryde

- 11.3.1. Trustee Bryde asks about the meeting with the Board of Health over the outside village water users.

Mayor Schoenig relates the essence of the conversation but there was no resolution or path to outcome. The Village has documentation dating back to the 1950s that shows this issue has been brought up before and the Village has a letter addressed to the Town attorney in 1979 from the NYS Comptroller's office explaining the revenues received from outside users for water are compensation only and do not represent any contribution toward capital improvement. Therefore it is not the Village's responsibility to maintain or replace the mains outside village limits. Supervisor Hay has been informed again that a special district or districts need to be formed for the outside users and those 50 to 100 year old mains need to be replaced at the outside users expense. The Town is uniquely equipped to administer the special district and the village's authority outside the village limits is restricted. Therefore the Town needs to take the lead. This has been going on for decades and nothing has been done other than talk. Action is needed.

- 11.3.2. Trustee Bryde asks if the letter notifying property owners to call the village office before having any work done have any effect. Hansen says yes indeed. There has been a marked increase in permit inquiries during the last few days since the letter went out.

- 11.3.3. Trustee Bryde thanks DPW for painting the arrows at 208 Main so quickly after the request.

- 11.4. Mayor Schoenig told the Board about the meeting with DOT regarding Main Street closings. Basically they only need notice for Founders Day. DOT now has a list of all events during the year that affect Main Street and are not interested in short time period closings, only those that stretch into hours.
12. New Business
 - 12.1. Trustee Stockburger
 - 12.1.1. Asks if there is money to buy banners for street decorations. Hansen says the celebrations and banners lines are maxed out but there is about \$2,000 in the beautification budget line. Hansen advises that there will be other projects that will want to use this money between now and the end of the budget year so priorities need to be set.
 - 12.2. Trustee Bryde
 - 12.2.1. Asks about addressing modifications to the code definitions and additions to the Village code. Counsel will meet with Code Enforcement and Mayor Schoenig to hash out what is needed.
 - 12.2.2. Trustee Bryde asks about the copier quotation received. Hansen explains that this copier has reached the end of its useful life and the scanning OCR software needs to be upgraded at a cost of approximately \$1,400. The copier is over 6 years old, the software is deficient, and the annual maintenance fee would be pro-rated back against the lease of a new copier. The proposed copier is color and black and white. It also scans in color which is an important feature. Looking at purchase and maintenance over the life of the copier it does not make sense to buy one. Hansen recommends the lease of a Toshiba 2550c copiers for 63 months at a cost of \$213 per month, maintenance and supplies included. Deputy Mayor Piccini motions to authorize the leasing of a Toshiba 2550c per the quote received on October 2, 2012, Trustee Bryde 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.
 - 12.2.3. Trustee Bryde asks why we need to go to the Greenway meeting on October 17th. Our presence would bring attention to the Village for future projects.
 - 12.3. Mayor Schoenig
 - 12.3.1. Discusses the use of tax exempt properties for commercial purposes but the end result is there would be some difficulty identifying specific non tax exempt income. Further study of alternatives to control commercial parking on private property will be ongoing.
 - 12.3.2. There have been some complaints and a petition received complaining about the loudness of the train horn when arriving and passing through the station. Mayor Schoenig will call MTA to discuss.
 - 12.3.3. Team Brewster is tomorrow at 10AM at Walter Brewster House
 - 12.3.4. Founders Day was another great Village event. Mayor Schoenig thanks Trustee Stockburger; Erin Meagher and everyone else who helped make Founders Day a success.
 - 12.3.5. Tom Lannon will provide an introduction and overview of NY Alert at our next Board meeting on October 17th.
13. Public Comments
 - 13.1. Rick Stockburger mentions the problems of taxicabs blocking the train station island and recommends painting the street. Mayor Schoenig will reach out to the County Highway Superintendent as this is a County road.
 - 13.2. Erin Meagher complains about the bicycles on the sidewalks being a hazard to her health because of near misses. Ms. Meagher claims to have over 25 photos of people on bicycles riding on the sidewalk. She says this is a dangerous condition and needs to be addressed. Mayor Schoenig has asked Chief Del Gardo to strictly enforce the law. Mayor Schoenig recommends having Officer Caban mention the law against riding on sidewalks at the next Community Affairs meeting.
14. Mayor Schoenig motions to adjourn, Trustee Bryde 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.

Attachment 2

VILLAGE OF BREWSTER
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
May 1, 2013
PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR MEETING

Minutes

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Brewster held a Public Hearing followed by a Regular Meeting on May 1, 2013 at 7:30 PM at Village Hall, 50 Main Street, Brewster, NY 10509.

Attendees:

Mayor: James Schoenig
Deputy Mayor and Trustee: Christine Piccini
Trustees: Tom Boissonnault, Mary Bryde, Terri Stockburger
Village Engineer:
Village Counsel: Anthony Molé,
Clerk & Treasurer: Peter Hansen

Absent:

John Folchetti

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Notation of Exits

Public Hearing: Caché Restaurant & Lounge Special Exception Use Permit Application to operate a "Cabaret"

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR A SPECIAL EXCEPTION USE PERMIT PURSUANT TO SECTION 263-20 OF THE VILLAGE CODE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that Caché Restaurant & Lounge LLC has submitted to the Board of Trustees of the Village of Brewster, New York, an application for a special exception use permit pursuant to Section 263-20 of the Village Code, to operate a cabaret establishment at 55 Main Street, Brewster, New York;

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to Section 263-20(C)(1) of the Village Code, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Brewster, New York will hold a public hearing on the aforesaid request for a special exception use permit at the Village Hall, 50 Main Street, Brewster, New York 10509, on Wednesday, May 1, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. in the evening of that day, or as soon thereafter as time permits, at which time all persons interested therein shall be heard. The Board of Trustees will make every effort to assure that the hearing is accessible to individuals with disabilities. Anyone requiring special assistance and/or reasonable accommodations should contact the Village Clerk.

Dated: April 5, 2013

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF BREWSTER
PETER B. HANSEN, VILLAGE CLERK

Mayor Schoenig motioned to open the public hearing, Trustee Stockburger 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.

1. Norburo Torres states he is in support of the Special Exception Use Permit. He feels it is a family oriented business.
2. K.C. Anderson doesn't necessarily understand the ramifications of a Cabaret use. Is there a formal description? Counselor Molé read the Brewster Village Code definition. Ms. Anderson said, "is there a limit to the number of uses within the district?" Counselor, "Yes."
3. Janet Lambert speaks in support of Caché application and says it is a fine place to be.
4. Johnny Gomez speaks in support of the Caché application.
5. Janet Lambert adds that the expansion will be a good addition to the space and the outside is kept very nice.
6. Deputy Mayor Piccini clarifies that the expansion is separate from this application.
7. Included an email in the minutes (attached) from Lydia Nioras.
8. Included a letter into the minutes from Steven Priest of Jack & Jill Amusement Center (attached)
9. Public Hearing tabled until Caché attorney, Mr. Sirignano, arrives.

Mayor Schoenig motions to open the regular meeting, Trustee Bryde 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.

Regular Meeting

1. Minutes April 17, 2013 – Trustee Bryde motions to approve the minutes for April 17, 2013, Trustee Boissonnault 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.
2. Budget report Year to Date – Hansen provides the year to date financial report. We are on target to have roughly \$8,000 added to the General Fund balance, \$60,000 added to the Water Fund balance, and \$102,000 deducted from the Sewer Fund balance. These numbers are all in line with our budget 2013 & for 2014. We will have recommended budget line transfers for FY2013 at our meeting on May 15th and will plan on Capital transfers to occur when the Annual Update Report is completed, hopefully by the end of August.
3. Vouchers Payable – Deputy Mayor Piccini reviewed the vouchers and found everything in order.

3.1.A	General	\$11,899.12
3.2.F	Water	30,473.00
3.3.G	Sewer	106,526.09
3.4.TA	Trust & Agency	458.90
	Total Vouchers Payable	\$149,357.11

Mayor Schoenig motions to approve vouchers payable, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.

4. Other Business

4.1. Deputy Mayor Piccini

- 4.1.1. Several members from all three boards attended the NY Planning Federation meeting and would like a discussion to take place at our next meeting as part of the monthly reports for Zoning and Planning. The intention is to dialogue together. Ms. Piccini spoke with Ellen Pemrick regarding updating the Niche Marketing report to reflect current conditions. Ms. Pemrick submitted a quote for two options, one for a Market Demand report update, and one to update the entire report. We are still waiting for an answer from Pattern for Progress on a market demand report deliverable. Trustee Bryde opened the discussion to determine how much we might spend and what return on the investment.

4.2. Trustee Stockburger

- 4.2.1. Trustee Stockburger attended the Planning Federation meeting. In addition, Ms. Piccini, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Murello, Mr. Ruchala, Ms. Degnan-Kropkowski, Mr. Stockburger, and Mr. Kulo all attended.

4.3. Trustee Bryde

- 4.3.1. Are we still going to the Wastewater plant on May 11th? Mayor Schoenig said, "yes."
- 4.3.2. Did Verna Bergstrom receive notification of her nomination to Women of Distinction? Ms. Piccini indicated she has been notified and the office of State Senator has all the information.
- 4.3.3. Noted we should receive the \$2,500 payment from the School District for the GSS report shortly and thanks Mayor Schoenig for his diligent follow-up.
- 4.3.4. Trash complaint on container pickup (middle of the night). Did we contact the trash hauler. Hansen said, "yes but the hauler made no guarantees."
- 4.3.5. NY Alert flyer was a good addition to the Sewer Bill. Did we notify the school or fire department to add the information to their electronic signs? Hansen said, "No."

4.4. Trustee Boissonnault

- 4.4.1. Broken sidewalks that NYSEG did on Prospect while doing some installation work. When will they fix them? Unknown.
- 4.4.2. Any progress on Aluminum ramps for Carmel Ave. Bridge? Not until DPW Superintendent and Village Engineer weigh in on the solution. Trustee Stockburger asks if we can get it cheaper. Hansen said he doesn't think so, other vendors were much more expensive.

4.5. Mayor Schoenig

- 4.5.1. Met at CFA forum with NYSEDA rep regarding street light funding. There is an option to apply for funding to offset the cost of more energy efficient lighting.

5. New Business

5.1. Trustee Stockburger

- 5.1.1. Flowers will be purchased sometime in May.

5.2. Trustee Bryde

- 5.2.1. Received an invitation from Anthony Ruggiero and Vincent Tamagna to attend TOSE Board meeting and she will not be able to attend. Mayor Schoenig intends to be there.

5.3. Trustee Boissonnault

- 5.3.1. Flowers for Carmel Avenue Bridge are to be purchased and containers will be provided that have reservoirs.
- 5.4. Mayor Schoenig
 - 5.4.1. Informs the Board to sign and accept the revised handbook and return the old one and asks if all the employees have done so at this time. Hansen said, "not all employees have received the new book with the letter of instruction but they will receive soon."
 - 5.4.2. Team Brewster tomorrow at Walter Brewster House. Mayor will be unable to attend as he is meeting with the East of Hudson Watershed Corporation at that time.
6. Public Comment
 - 6.1. Janet Lambert noted that Garden Street School had glass on the playground. Who should address this? Contact the District Office. Mayor Schoenig will also notify them by email. The Town usually sends the street sweeper but it may not have done so this year.
 - 6.2. KC Anderson asks if our police patrol the abandoned school. Mayor Schoenig says they already do.
 - 6.3. Rick Stockburger suggests putting in an application for a grant for a public toilet in the Village. KC Anderson suggests a business might be able to provide this service.
 - 6.4. Steve Priest thanks the Village for trimming the trees on Main Street.
 - 6.5. Erin Meagher says the bicycles are running on the sidewalks again and it is dangerous.
 - 6.6. Janet Lambert asks about the Bike & Hike Trail. Will it continue? Hansen states the extension including a bridge over the tracks is about 18 months out.
7. Counselor Molé recommends we hold the public hearing open through May 15th as their attorney should be here during the discussions.
 - 7.1. Amy Campanaro asks if there is any police activity or police calls at Caché? Does that cost the village money.
 - 7.2. Mayor Schoenig notes the Board can impose conditions on a special exception use permit as needed.
 - 7.3. Mr. Torres asks about the limitations on the uses in the B1 district. Counselor Molé conveys the restrictions within the B1 district. Both the Adult bookstore and the Pool Hall constitute the two uses allowed.
 - 7.4. Deputy Mayor Piccini motions to keep the Caché Special Exception Use Permit public hearing open and resume it at 50 Main Street, Brewster NY 10509 at 7:30PM on May 15th.
8. Mayor Schoenig motions to adjourn, Trustee Boissonnault 2nd all in favor 5 to 0.

N.Y. / REGION

Woman Hit by a Bicyclist in Central Park Dies

By MARC SANTORA SEPT. 22, 2014

A woman whom a cyclist struck in Central Park last week died Sunday night, her family said on Monday.

The woman, Jill Tarlov, 58, was walking across West Drive near West 63rd Street in the park on Thursday afternoon when she was hit by a cyclist and struck her head on the road. She had been in critical condition at NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital/Weill Cornell Medical Center.

Her husband, Mike Wittman, an executive for CBS Television Stations, announced her death in a statement.

"My wife was beautiful in every way imaginable," Mr. Wittman said. "Jill was the most amazing mother to Matthew and Anna, who taught them above all that kindness, compassion, and a spirit for life were the right morals to live by."

The bicyclist, Jason W. Marshall, 31, said on Monday that he was "deeply saddened" by her death and that the collision was accidental and unavoidable.

"I extend my deepest sympathies to Mr. Wittman and his entire family," Mr. Marshall said in a statement released by his lawyer, Michael H. Gottlieb. "Since the day of the accident, I and my family have been in constant prayer for her and her family." The episode renewed debate over Central Park's increasingly crowded roadways.

When the weather is fine, the main roadways in the park are filled with pedestrians, runners, in-line skaters, horse-drawn carriages, cars, pedicab drivers, leisurely bikers and racing cyclists all competing for limited space.

This last group, the racers, have come under scrutiny after the accident on Thursday.

Ms. Tarlov, who lived in Fairfield, Conn., had been in New York City shopping for a present for her daughter, according to her family.

She was walking through the park around 4:30 p.m. when she stepped into the roadway.

At the same time, Mr. Marshall was coming down the street on his racing bike, the police said.

Mr. Marshall swerved to avoid a group of pedestrians, the police said, but struck Ms. Tarlov. She was rushed to the hospital and was placed on a ventilator.

Mr. Marshall, a professional baritone saxophone player who lives in Harlem, remained at the scene. He has not been charged with any crime.

Afterward, the police increased their efforts to crack down on bikers violating traffic laws in the park. They fanned out across the park, measuring bikers' speeds with radar guns and issuing tickets to scores of people for violations.

Even before the accident, the authorities were focused on increased enforcement in the park.

So far this year, the authorities have issued 468 moving summonses for bicycle violations in Central Park, more than triple the 151 summonses issued in the same period last year, the police said. Half of the summonses issued this year cited riders who failed to yield to pedestrians.

Correction: September 25, 2014

An earlier version of this article misstated the day Ms. Tarlov died. It was Sunday, not Monday.

Emma G. Fitzsimmons contributed reporting.

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HILARY ABRAMSON

Posted Tuesday, October 7th 2014 @ 5pm by KFBK News - Mike Simpson

A midtown Sacramento woman who was hit and seriously injured by a man on a bicycle has filed a \$3.5 million claim against the city.

Hilary Abramson, a former reporter with The Sacramento Bee, says there are dangerous lapses in the law. She was hit from behind near Capitol and 15th in May and spent two weeks in the hospital.

"I didn't see it coming. There was no one else on the sidewalk...it was unusually deserted and I never knew what hit me," she said in an interview after the filings were made with the city clerk.

Abramson now uses a cane because of a leg that's been permanently shortened. She's due for throat surgery next month and may have to go back in after that because of recurring pain.

"My insurance is running out. I saw the surgeon last week and I took X-rays. I'm feeling the metal (in my leg) when I sit," she said.

Attorney John Poswall is representing Abramson, and the pair have centered their case around portions of the city code. Bikes are prohibited on sidewalks across the state, but there can be local rules.

In Sacramento, cyclists are allowed on sidewalks only in "residence districts or where a sidewalk is designated as part of an established bicycle route." The case claims neither applied and cites lax enforcement.

"There's no fine. Nothing. Basically, they've established a rule...that just basically says to bikes and pedestrians 'good luck,'" said Poswall, "this (the claim) is a required step in a lawsuit. So this is the beginning of litigation."

Local bicycle advocates have long pushed for more bike lanes, including some with protective barriers, and Abramson's injuries have helped prompt a series of hearings at city hall over safety.

Councilman Jay Schenirer will head up the talks, and Poswall says he'll look to see what comes of them.

The man who hit Abramson has never been identified and before the accident she had actually planned articles about ongoing issues between bicyclists and pedestrians.

"Being the subject of a story is very difficult," she said. "But I also understand a story needs a face to it. And if it's me, so be it."

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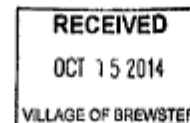
Outside Group to Probe Stockton PD's

Attachment 5

- 16.1. Deputy Mayor Piccini received an email from PACE Land Use Law Center regarding a conference on December 5th. Counsel has registered for the conference. Deputy Mayor Piccini is interested in the listed topics for the conference and will consider attending.
- 16.2. Trustee Boissonnault says he would like to see our ongoing planning efforts capitalize on the Putnam Trailways Bike & Hike as part of our comprehensive plan discussions.
- 16.3. Mayor Schoenig will attend the Town of Southeast meeting if the needed outside water district is on their agenda. Mayor Schoenig notes that Peaceable Hill Road Water District was informed that the estimated cost of water will be \$1,600 per year per family – far in excess of the current Village water charges.
17. Public Comment
 - 17.1. Larry Murphy with Severn Trent is here as the new regional manager for Severn Trent and introduces himself. Mayor Schoenig notes the contract is signed with VRI replacing Severn Trent as the new operator so the discussion is over for now.
18. Mayor Schoenig motions to go into executive session to discuss litigation and- personnel, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2nd all in favor 3 to 0.
19. Mayor Schoenig motions to come out of executive session and resume the regular meeting, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2nd all in favor 3 to 0.
20. Mayor Schoenig motions to appoint Domenic Consentino as acting DPW Superintendent, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2nd all in favor 3 to 0.
21. Mayor Schoenig motions to set a special meeting to address the capital note resolution at 6:55 P.M. just prior to the Comprehensive Plan work session already noticed and scheduled for October 22nd at Village Hall, 50 Main Street, Brewster, NY, Trustee Boissonnault 2nd all in favor 3 to 0.
22. Trustee Boissonnault motions to adjourn, Deputy Mayor Piccini 2nd all in favor 3 to 0.

Letters submitted for Bicycle Law public hearing:

Frank Williamson
48 Oak Street
Brewster, NY 10509
October 15, 2014



Village of Brewster Board of Trustees
50 Main Street
Brewster, NY 10509

Dear Village of Brewster Board of Trustees:

I am writing to ask you to support the new local law restricting bikes from riding on the sidewalks. This issue has been a great concern for Oak Street residents and inhibits pedestrian safety in the residential and commercial areas. This law should restrict anyone over the age of 12 from riding on the sidewalk. Walking my dog on the sidewalk is dangerous at times because of the constant bicycle traffic on North Main Street, Main Street, Progress Street, Hoyt Street, Michael Neuner Drive and Carmel Avenue. The topography of the Village of Brewster causes the bicycles to come down the hills with a speed that is dangerous to pedestrians on the sidewalks. Please put this letter into the minutes of the public hearing for this new law. It is important for the citizens of Brewster, to protect our safety from the constant barrage of dangerous cycling.

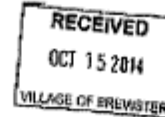
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Frank Williamson".

Frank Williamson
Oak Street Resident

Attachment G

Maryann Brooks
Canine Cottage
2 Main Street
Brewster, NY 10509
October 15, 2014



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50 Main Street
Brewster, NY 10509

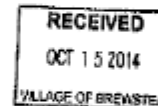
Dear Village of Brewster Board of Trustees:

I have been a business owner on Main Street for over 20 years. Over the years the amount of bicycle riding on the sidewalks has become overwhelming and dangerous for myself, the customers of my business and their pets whom they bring to me with the expectation of care and safety. The bicycles on the sidewalks are very dangerous. I feel very unsafe because not only are they whizzing down from North Main Street, they're also turning the corner from Prospect and coming down Hoyt at unsafe speeds. It's all different kinds of people, and all of their bicycling actions are unsafe. Please put this law through and enforce it, for the safety of the business owners, the residents, and most of all the dogs that come into my shop. They're some of the most vulnerable.

Sincerely,

Mary Ann Brooks

Maryann Brooks
Canine Cottage
2 Main Street
Brewster, NY 10509



Barry Hyatt
Air and Marine Travel
10 Main Street
Brewster, NY 10509
October 15, 2014

Village of Brewster Board of Trustees
50 Main Street
Brewster, NY 10509

Dear Mayor & Village of Brewster Board of Trustees:

I have been on Main Street with my travel agency for over 30 years. In recent years the bicycle traffic has increased greatly, and not for the better. When I come out of my shop, it is sometimes treacherous walk due to the constant riding of bicycles on the sidewalk. It is extremely dangerous, especially to our senior community. This concerns me as my wife Edith, is also a longtime volunteer at the Eagle Eye Thrift Shop, another Main Street institution bombarded with bicycles on the sidewalks. I notice this problem all over the Village, as I am a longtime resident of Hillside Park, and an avid pedestrian. It is dangerous and this law needs to be passed, signage erected and have strict enforcement by our Village of Brewster Police.

Best regards,

Barry Hyatt

Barry Hyatt
Air & Marine Travel
10 Main Street
Brewster, NY 10509

TJ Legeret
The Dining Car
496 Railroad Avenue
Brewster, NY 10509
October 15, 2014




Village of Brewster Board of Trustees
50 Main Street
Brewster, NY 10509

Dear Village of Brewster Board of Trustees:

I am writing to support the law restricting bikes from riding on the sidewalks. This has been a problem for merchants and customers of downtown Brewster for many years. It is dangerous for my customers and myself walking on the sidewalk with the cyclists constantly whizzing back and forth. Please restrict the riding of the bicycles on the sidewalk. My business provides quality breakfast and lunch for citizens of Brewster and commuters at the train station Brewster. I wish to keep my customers and employees safe, this law will help.

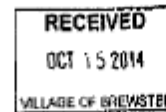
With the prohibition of bicycles on the sidewalks, it will increase the safety of pedestrians in the Village and hopefully aid in its revitalization.

Sincerely,



TJ Legeret
The Dining Car
496 Railroad Avenue
Brewster, NY 10509

Richard Lanza
Steering Columns Galore
5 Progress Street
Brewster, NY 10509
October 15, 2014



Mayor James Schoenig & Village of Brewster Board of Trustees
50 Main Street
Brewster, NY 10509

Dear Village of Brewster Board of Trustees:

I have a business on Progress Street in Brewster. Please pass this law on to prohibit the bicycles on the sidewalks. It is dangerous and is not friendly to pedestrians in the Village of Brewster. Please pass this law and enforce it.

Sincerely,



Richard Lanza
Steering Columns Galore
5 Progress Street
Brewster, NY 10509